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Asst Principal – Hamish
McCartney



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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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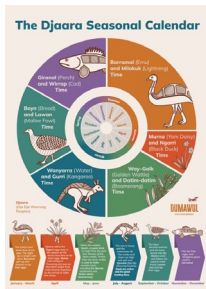
SCHOOL VALUES

Achievement – (striving for our personal best) encompassing excellence, growth, aspiration, persistence, resilience, confidence, effort

Belonging – (making everyone feel safe, valued and included) community, teamwork, inclusion, cultural safety, acceptance, friendship

Respect – (treating ourselves, others and the environment with care and respect) courtesy, gratitude, kindness, empathy, compassion, tolerance

Responsibility – (taking ownership for our actions) accountability, integrity, reliability, leadership, courage, initiative, trustworthiness



On behalf of the students of Marong Primary School, we would like to respectfully acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung as the traditional owners of the land and pay our respects to elders past and present. We are grateful to learn, play and grow surrounded by the plants, animals & waterways that the Djaara people have watched over and cared for, over thousands of years.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

END OF TERM – Next Friday we finish at 2.30pm. Enjoy the term break everyone, stay safe and we will see you back on Monday 5th October.

COTTON BALL CHALLENGE!!

I set a challenge for our students at assembly on Monday. For each smooth, quiet transition made or respectful behaviour they would be awarded a cotton ball. If we fill the vase to the line they will earn a casual clothes day on Friday. If they can fill the whole vase, they will earn a casual clothes day AND a disco !! They have been very motivated and are progressing nicely towards their goals. #teamwork #respect



SCHOOL COUNCIL

Our next meeting is Wednesday 16th September at 6pm.

DONUTS FOR DADS / SPECIAL PERSON

We loved seeing so many dads and special people in the lives of Marong students here today to acknowledge Father's Day. Thank you for coming along – the kids love having you at school.



FOOTY COLOURS DAY

Thanks to Mr Westcott and the JSC for organising a fabulous day. It was wonderful to see the whole school involved in the activities and the staff v Yr 6 football match did not disappoint.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL ANNOUNCEMENT

We are thrilled to announce Hamish McCartney is the successful applicant for the ongoing Assistant Principal role. Hamish has already made a great impact at Marong, establishing positive relationships with staff, students and families and we look forward to his continued leadership across the school.

Medication

Please make yourself familiar with our medication policy that will be on our school website.



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PARENT/CARER OPINION SURVEY

Each year schools conduct the Parent/Carer Opinion Survey. This survey provides valuable feedback to guide future planning. We value our families as partners in learning and would appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey. It is anonymous but we do get an updated response rate. We are currently at **25% (42) of 165 families** invited so please grab a cuppa and take the time to complete the survey. We would really appreciate it. The survey closes on Friday 18th September.

BOOK PACKS

We are currently finalising the contents of each grade level book pack. This is new for 2027. What are the benefits of book packs –

- You order online by the end of the year making it time efficient and you don't have to worry about getting anything sorted in the January break,
- Everything your child needs gets delivered to the school for you to pick up,
- Your child gets the same as everyone else,
- They are ready for learning from day 1 😊

NEW BELLS

You might have noticed we have 2 new bells ringing at 8.45am and 3.45pm. The 8.45am signals to students they are able to access their classrooms and staff are on duty. The 3.45pm bell signals any students still on site need to find their families as staff are no longer supervising.

CAMP

Our year 5/6 students head off to camp on Monday returning Wednesday. Any families with balances due please ensure these payments are made before Monday unless a payment plan has been arranged. This is a fabulous extra curricula activity with so many benefits for students. A huge thanks to the staff who are attending in order to make this happen.

CHILD SAFETY NOTICE

A reminder to families, we encourage you to take this opportunity to discuss stranger safety with your children, including: Staying with friends and trusted adults when travelling to and from school as well as around the community.

Avoiding conversations with unfamiliar adults unless assistance is required in an emergency.

Reporting any interaction that makes them feel uncomfortable to a parent, carer, teacher or other trusted adult.

Moving to a safe place and seeking help if they ever feel unsafe.

We also ask all members of our community to remain vigilant. If you observe suspicious behaviour, individuals loitering around the school/community spaces, or any activity that causes concern, please contact Victoria Police immediately by dialling **000**.

PFA NEWS

Footy Colours Day – Once again thanks to the PFA for organising the Hot dogs and primas for our Footy Colours Day on Monday! Next term PFA will be assisting with the organisation of the Colour Fun Run – it will be bigger and better than before so if you're able to help let us know.

DATES FOR SEPTEMBER

- Monday 14th – 16th – Grade 5/6 Camp
- Friday 18th – Last day of term 2:30 dismissal.

DATES FOR OCTOBER

- 5th October – First day of term 4

PRINCIPALS AWARD

Kayden T – Kayden I love the way you have embraced the whole school challenge and worked to encourage everyone in library to sit quietly so 'we' could earn another cotton ball. What a great community member you are!

Archer H – Archer I loved hearing how you asked great questions on the excursion this week. What a great way to learn new information and interact in school activities.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY

On Monday the school dressed up in footy colours for footy colours day. We were raising money for kids with cancer. Thank you for your gold coins. The parents club made hot dogs for us. Some activities were the obstacle course, goal kicking, kick to the target, handball, marking, dribbling. The teachers played footy with the grade 6's and it was a great game. There were lots of kids watching. Thank you for Junior school council for doing the activities.

By JSC representatives
Lachie and Isabella



GRADE PREP

What we achieved this week!

What a wonderful week we have had in Foundation! The students have been busy learning, creating and building their confidence across all areas of the curriculum. We had a fantastic start to the week with Footy Colours Day! The students looked wonderful in their team colours and loved coming together to celebrate. It was a great way to begin our week with lots of excitement and school spirit.

This week in Sounds-Write, we have been focusing on the /th/ sound and learning the difference between the voiced and unvoiced /th/ sounds. The students have been practising listening carefully to the sounds they can hear and identifying how they are made.

Our Foundation students have been busy creating their very own information report posters about dogs! We have been learning about the features of an information report and how to include interesting facts under different headings. The students worked hard to create their posters, and they all looked absolutely wonderful!

In Maths, we have been learning about addition equations and developing our understanding of the counting-on strategy. The students have been practising putting the bigger number in their head and then counting on to find the answer. They have done a fantastic job using this strategy and are becoming more confident mathematicians each day!

Well done, Foundation, on another fantastic week of learning! ★ We are so proud of the effort, enthusiasm and positive attitudes you continue to show each day.



The background is a vibrant orange. It is decorated with several green leaves of different shapes and sizes, some with dark green veins. Interspersed among the leaves are several red ladybugs with black spots and a black line down the middle of their backs. Some ladybugs are on the leaves, while others are in the open orange space. There are also some stylized orange flower-like shapes.

Marong Primary School Grade 1/2

MINI BEAST HABITAT SHOWCASE

Come see our amazing mini beast
habitats!

Thursday 17th of September in the PAC
3:00-3:30

We cant wait to see you!

GRADE 1/2

What we achieved this week!

We are getting very close to the end of the term!

In Sounds-Write this week, Mr Riordan's group explored for /sh/, and for /ch/, for /th/, for /k/, for /w/, for /ng/, and and for /k/ and /w/. Miss Williams' group focused on the /s/ sound and its spellings <s, ss, st, c, ce, se, sc>, while Miss Thorn and Hayley's group explored the /n/ sound and its spellings <n, nn, nr, gn, kn>.

In Writing, we explored a different text, *Dingo*. We looked at the key differences between narrative and informative texts, as well as identifying nouns and adjectives in sentences. Students had a go at independently identifying the correct nouns and adjectives to help make their sentences make sense.

In Maths, we continued working on time. We identified the small hand (hour hand) and the big hand (minute hand) on an analogue clock. Students also had a go at choosing a time and showing it on an analogue clock.

In Integrated, we continued making our mini beast habitats! It has been amazing to see our habitats coming together so quickly. Next Thursday, 17th September, we will be showcasing our Mini Beast Habitats, which we have been busy planning and creating throughout the term. We would love to invite you to come along and see our amazing work in the PAC from 3:00–3:30 pm.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Have a great weekend!

Mr Riordan, Miss Williams, Miss Thorn, Hayley, Brandi, Jai, Jobe, Tamina and Toby.



GRADE 3/4

What we achieved this week!

The Grade 3/4s have had a very exciting week! On Wednesday, we had our Sustainability Excursion to White Hills. We had an excellent time learning about the little things we can do to help our planet, as well as the amazing work being done by people in Bendigo and the surrounding areas to care for our environment. Here are some of our thoughts from the excursion:

"My favourite part about the excursion was the concert they put on at the start because it was entertaining and I learnt to not keep your heater on million degrees to stop greenhouse gases. I also learnt to be brave as they performer had to be silly in front of lots of people" - Willow M (3/4L)

"My favourite part was the show at the start which was about not having your heater on too high and for too long and it creates greenhouse gases. I liked when we did the bird activity and we did a heap of colouring and word searches. I liked dressing up Mr Westcott because we were learning about not wasting materials" - Layla G (3/4W)

"We got to meet new classes at different schools, and we got to do different activities. My favourite activity was making bookmarks out of paper from the library because it was something that I was interested in especially because it was origami" - Aurora S (3/4O)

We are all very proud of how well our Grade 3/4's represented Marong Primary with pride. They were all very engaged in their learning. We look forward to our last week of Term 3 next week. Also, a special good luck to our ES Jimmy in the Marong grand final this weekend.

Miss O, Christine, Mr Westcott, Jimmy, Miss Lamb and Charli



GRADE 5/6

What we achieved this week!

It has been another productive week in Grade 5/6, with students continuing to develop their skills across Mathematics, Literacy, Spelling and through opportunities to represent our school.

In Mathematics, students focused on probability, exploring the likelihood of different events and using mathematical language to describe possible outcomes. Students also completed their Daily Review activities, revisiting previously taught concepts and strengthening their mathematical fluency. A key focus was learning to edit and revise mathematical work, with students checking their answers, identifying errors and making improvements to their thinking and explanations.

In Literacy, students continued working on their extended *Wonder* essays, bringing together their understanding of Auggie's journey, character development and the novel's central themes. Students used the Bump It Up approach to review, edit and improve their writing, focusing on strengthening their ideas, evidence, explanations and overall structure.

During Spelling, students continued developing their understanding of etymology and morphology. Students explored words by identifying prefixes, roots and suffixes, considering what each part means and making connections to other words containing the same word parts. We also continued practising the Look, Cover, Write, Check strategy to support accurate spelling and encourage students to take greater responsibility for checking and correcting their work.

We would also like to congratulate both our Grade 5/6 boys and girls who represented our school this week. They demonstrated wonderful competitiveness, teamwork and sportsmanship, supporting one another and representing our school with pride. It was fantastic to see them working together, encouraging their teammates and giving their best effort throughout the day.

Silverband Lodge Camp – Monday to Wednesday

Students attending camp need to be at school by 8:45am on Monday. The bus will depart school at 9:00am sharp, so please allow plenty of time to arrive, say goodbye and have belongings ready.

Enjoy the sunshine this weekend,

Miss Burton, Mr Johnstone, Mr Fry and Chelsie.





Gr 3/ 4 Camp Kookaburra

Dear Parents and Guardians,

This year our grade 3/ 4 students will be attending a three-day camp at Camp Kookaburra, Corop.

Please find an overview of the camp information below.

Who: Grade 3/ 4 students

What: Grade 3/4 Camp

Where: Camp Kookaburra, Corop

When: Dates: Wednesday 21st – Friday 23rd October

Cost: \$325 per student (\$50 deposit) via the OKR app

Full payment to be made by 15th October. Parents may still have credit from SSB and CSEF to allocate towards camp. Please see the office staff for further information regarding full or part payments.

Activities: Students will participate in bouldering, flying fox, giant swing, initiatives course, archery, low ropes course, canoeing and orienteering.

What to bring (please see attachment):

- BYO own lunch & snacks on Day 1
- Students are required to bring their own bedding eg: pillow, sleeping bag, bottom sheet to use under your sleeping bag (compulsory)

Medications/ dietary: A separate medical information form will be required to be completed prior to the camp. Medications can be given to a designated teacher on the day of departure.

Kind regards,

Grade 3/ 4 staff



Camp Kookaburra

Making Lifelong Memories

WHAT TO PACK !!

- o Pyjamas
- o T-Shirt (must cover shoulders and be able to tuck into bottoms due to health and safety reasons)
- o Long Sleeve Top (must be able to tuck into bottoms due to health and safety reasons)
- o Jumper
- o Shorts (no higher than 2 inches above the knee due to health and safety reasons)
- o Long Pants
- o Raincoat / Jacket
- o Underwear
- o Socks
- o Bathers (if appropriate)
- o Hat / Beanie
- o Shoes x 2 (old pair for canoeing / Raft Building MUST be enclosed toe. Crocs are not suitable as they will fall off)
- o Slippers
- o Drink bottle
- o Pillow and Pillowcase
- o Sleeping Bag or Doona
- o Bottom Sheet
- o Towel
- o Beach Towel (if appropriate)
- o Shampoo, Conditioner, Soap
- o Face washer
- o Toothbrush
- o Toothpaste
- o Hairbrush
- o Hair Ties (hair needs to be tied back for activities)

WHAT NOT TO BRING

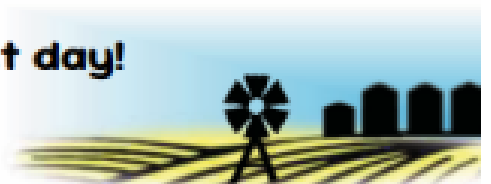
- Good Clothes
- Valuable Items (Mobile Phones)
- Chewing Gum !
- Snack Foods containing Nuts

- o Torch
- o Sunscreen
- o Insect Repellent
- o Bag for dirty clothes
- o Tissues

Even in Summer, campers should have at least one long sleeved shirt, warm jumper, and long trousers. We advise campers to name everything.

IF campers do not have the correct attire, unfortunately they will not be able to participate in harnessed activities.

Don't forget your packed lunch for the first day!
See you soon!!



SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS FORM

USE THIS FORM ONLY IF YOU HAVE A STRICT DIETARY REQUIREMENT THAT IS ESSENTIAL TO YOUR HEALTH AND WELL BEING.

DO NOT USE FOR LIKES, DISLIKES OR PREFERENCES OF FOODS.

YOU MAY BE ASKED TO PROVIDE SOME FOOD, I.E. SNACKS, BREAD TO ASSIST US IN ACCOMODATING YOUR REQUIREMENTS, PARTICULARY IF YOUR CHILD IS UNABLE TO EAT "MAY CONTAIN TRACES OF"

NAME :

SCHOOL :

Parent / Carer Name :

Phone Number :

Email :

Please select all that apply :

☐	Lactose Intolerance	Consume when cooked in foods?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Consume may contain traces of?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Anaphylactic	☐ Yes	☐ No
☐	Dairy Intolerance	Consume when cooked in foods?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Consume may contain traces of?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Anaphylactic	☐ Yes	☐ No
☐	Coeliac / Gluten Intolerance	Consume may contain traces of?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Anaphylactic	☐ Yes	☐ No
☐	No Egg	Consume when cooked in foods?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Consume may contain traces of?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Anaphylactic	☐ Yes	☐ No
☐	No Nuts	Type :		
		Consume may contain traces of?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Anaphylactic	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Consume Sesame Seeds?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Consume may contain traces Sesame Seeds?	☐ Yes	☐ No
☐	Soy	Consume when cooked in foods?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Consume may contain traces of?	☐ Yes	☐ No
		Anaphylactic	☐ Yes	☐ No

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Grade Prep – Jess

Lincoln J – Lincoln has impressed us with his concentration during small group work in Mathematics this week. It was lovely to see the way he was listening and following Fraser's instructions on the floor. Lincoln has also worked hard in writing. He completed a fantastic Information Report on dogs which showcased his beautiful handwriting. Super effort Linc!

Grade Prep – Mrs Cook

Larniee M – Larniee has had a wonderful week! She has consistently demonstrated our school values and is always a kind, caring friend to others. Larniee shows such respectful listening and is a wonderful role model in our classroom. I have been especially impressed with the effort and focus she has shown during our writing lessons. She worked so carefully when creating her Information Report Poster about dogs, sharing some fantastic facts and taking pride in her work. Well done, Larniee! Keep up the amazing work – you are a SUPERSTAR!

Grade 1/2 Williams

Teddy W – I am so proud of Teddy. Teddy has achieved so many of his goals this term and he is being more confident each and every day. He has been coming into our classroom with a massive smile on his face and we are so so lucky to have Teddy in our classroom. Keep up this amazing work, Teddy!!

Grade 1/2 Riordan

Ethan L – Well done to Ethan for another great week. Ethan has been working hard in the classroom, showing greater focus and effort into his learning. Ethan showed great knowledge of division strategies and worked hard when being extended in his learning. He always shares his knowledge and has been a wonderful leader in our room this week. Super work Ethan.

Grade 1/2 Thorn and Hayley

Varli D – Varli is our student of the week. She always works hard and has challenged herself in her learning this week. Keep it up Varli!

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Grade 3/4 Miss O

Ayla B - Ayla has shown fantastic leadership skills whilst on our excursion. She represented our school with pride, making positive choices and setting a wonderful example for others. Ayla should be very proud of her efforts and the way she represented our school. Well done Ayla!

Grade 3/4 Westcott

Zara P - Zara, you participated in activities during our 3/4 excursion to the Garden for the Future with confidence and enthusiasm. It has also been wonderful to see you completing extra reading at home. Well done, Zara!

Grade 3/4 Lamb

Whole Class - WOW! Every student in 3/4L has impressed me this week! You have continued to challenge yourselves, meet high expectations and show such a positive attitude towards your learning. During our excursion, you asked some fantastic questions and shared so much of your knowledge, which the presenters loved! I am so proud of each and every one of you. Your effort, hard work and positive attitude this term have been amazing. Keep it up next term!

Grade 5/6 Johnstone

Joseph L - Joseph has done a fantastic job on his Wonder essay this week. He has carefully planned his ideas and used strong evidence to support his responses. Great work Joey, keep it up!

Grade 5/6 Fry

Airlie F - Airlie has done a wonderful job during basketball this week. She demonstrated great competitiveness and a fantastic spirit of play, showing enthusiasm, determination and a positive attitude throughout the games. It was fantastic to see Airlie giving her best and supporting her teammates. Well done, Airlie!

Grade 5/6 Burton

Gweny HD - Gweny has been on her A-game lately! She comes to school each day ready to learn and consistently gives her best effort across all tasks. I've been particularly impressed with the effort she has been putting into our Maths daily reviews. Keep up the awesome work, Gweny!

FOOTY COLOURS DAY



Monday 7th September 2026

Gold coin donation appreciated

Thousands unite to help fight cancer – join the fight!

Footy Colours Day celebrates all footy codes! Come dressed to support your team.

**Hot dogs available from
PFA – order online via QKR**

2026 Athletics Results

A massive well done to all the students who participated in and represented our school at the LCDSSA Athletics Carnival on Friday, 21st August!

A special thank you to all of the parents who volunteered their time to assist us throughout the day. Your support, encouragement and willingness to help made a huge difference and helped the day run so smoothly. Your help certainly didn't go unnoticed, and we are incredibly grateful for your support!

We had a very successful day on the track and field, with our students demonstrating fantastic sportsmanship, determination and school spirit.

We are incredibly proud to announce that two previous cluster records were broken!

- **AIRLIE FLOOD** - 12yo Girls – 80m Hurdles (68cm) – 16.03 seconds
- **CHARLEE GEARING** -11yo Girls – 800m – 3 minutes 19.63 seconds

CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU BOTH!

We also had many students achieve **AGE GROUP CHAMPION** status after achieving perfect scores across their events.

A huge congratulations to **Kayden Tempest, Caleb Loomes, Jack Freeth, Taj Smit, Fergus Flynn, Isaac Nind, Airlie Flood and Jack Lakey** on this fantastic achievement!

The following students have also **qualified for the Campaspe/Goldfields/Sandhurst Divisional Athletics Qualifiers**, which will be held on **Monday, 14th September at the Lar Birpa Athletics Complex**.

Airlie Flood	100m	80m hurdles
Aiden Bradley	100m	200m
Varli Hicks	200m	Long Jump
Charlee Gearing	800m	
Isaac Nind	100m	200m
Zaiden Benson	200m	800m
Spencer Williams	Long Jump	
Layla Cox	Shotput	

Congratulations to all our students who have qualified! We wish you the very best of luck at the next level of competition. A note should have been sent home with these students last Friday. Can you please inform Miss Gallagher of your intentions to attend ASAP.

The list below highlights the top three place-getters across all events on the day.

5/6 year old

Discus – 350g	Name	Distance (m)	Discus – 350g	Name	Distance (m)
1 st	Torin G	9.55	3 rd	Allie C	4.85
2 nd	Owen S	8.4			
Shotput – 500g			Shotput – 500g		

2 nd	Caleb L	5.23	2 nd	Siena M	4.46
Long Jump			Long Jump		
1 st	Torin G	2.19	3 rd	Siena M	1.55
2 nd	Fletcher A	2.08			
3 rd	Charlie R	2.01			
Sprint 60m		Time (s)	Sprint 60m		Time (s)
1 st	Fletcher A	12.35			
2 nd	Lincoln J	12.92			
3 rd	Jasper F	12.94			
200m			200m		
1 st	Fletcher A	43.65	3 rd	Siena M	52.96
2 nd	Kayden T	45.96			
3 rd	Rex C	46.92			
Hurdles 60m			Hurdles 60m		
1 st	Kase T	14.52			
2 nd	Oscar J	14.6			
3 rd	Kayden T	14.66			

7 YEAR OLDS

Discus - 350g	Name	Distance (m)	Discus - 350g	Name	Distance (m)
2 nd	Jaxon D	9.55	2 nd	Remi F	6.6
			3 rd	Isla C	6.4
Shotput -500g			Shotput -500g		
1 st	Jaxon D	6.79	1 st	Kaylee M	4.92
2 nd	Hunter L	5.89			
Long Jump			Long Jump		
1 st	Boston P	2.3	1 st	Isla C	2.25
3 rd	Sam G	2.1	2 nd	Phoebe R	1.63
3 rd	Noah A	2.1	3 rd	Kaylee M	1.53
			3 rd	Lilah J	1.53
Sprint 60m		Time (s)	Sprint 60m		Time (s)
1 st	Jaxon D	11.59	2 nd	Remi F	12.83
3 rd	Boston P	12.19	3 rd	Isla C	13.19
200m			200m		
1 st	Jaxon D	40.75	1 st	Lilah J	45.67
3 rd	Sam G	43.0	2 nd	Kaylee M	46.12
Hurdles 60m			Hurdles 60m		
3 rd	Jaxon D	13.86	1 st	Remi F	13.85
			2 nd	Isla C	14.02
			2 nd	Lilah J	14.02

8 YEAR OLDS

Discus - 350g	Name	Distance (m)	Discus - 350g	Name	Distance (m)
1 st	Jack F	12.2			
2 nd	Mitchell H	11.8			
Long Jump			Long Jump		
3 rd	Jack F	2.6	1 st	Mila H	2.0
3 rd	Ethan L	2.6	2 nd	Celeste S	1.9
Sprint 60m		Time (s)	Sprint 60m		Time (s)
2 nd	Alfie S	10.93	2 nd	Mila H	11.68

3 rd	Billy W	10.97	2 nd	Amelia G	11.68
200m			200m		
2 nd	Billy W	36.97	2 nd	Mila H	41.65
			3 rd	Varli D	42.02
Hurdles 60m			Hurdles 60m		
2 nd	Jack F	12.02	2 nd	Amelia G	12.74
3 rd	Ethan L	12.21			

9 YEAR OLDS

Discus – 500g	Name	Distance (m)	Discus – 500g	Name	Distance (m)
1 st	Iszak D	14.95	1 st	Kaitlyn S	13.7
2 nd	Spencer W	14.83	2 nd	Miola M	10.2
			3 rd	Willow F	9.5
Shotput – 2kg			Shotput – 2kg		
1 st	Spencer W	6.8	3 rd	Kaitlyn S	5.5
2 nd	Xavier T	6.6			
3 rd	Paddy D	6.1			
Long Jump			Long Jump		
1 st	Spencer W	3.49	1 st	Gracie O	2.72
2 nd	Iszak D	2.79	3 rd	Kaitlyn S	2.44
3 rd	Paddy D	2.67			
Triple Jump			Triple Jump		
1 st	Paddy D	4.68	1 st	Makadie G	3.4
3 rd	Aiden B	4.03	1 st	Miola M	3.4
			2 nd	Harper T	3.3
Sprint 100m		Time (s)	Sprint 100m		Time (s)
1 st	Spencer W	17.47			
2 nd	Oscar N	17.61			
3 rd	Iszak D	18.74			
200m			200m		
1 st	Spencer W	36.99	3 rd	Bella J	41.84
2 nd	Oscar N	37.54			
3 rd	Iszak D	37.72			
Hurdles 80m			Hurdles 80m		
1 st	Spencer W	17.08	2 nd	Bella J	18.40
2 nd	Oscar N	17.49	3 rd	Gracie O	18.77
3 rd	Aiden B	18.25			

10 YEAR OLDS

Discus – 500g	Name	Distance (m)	Discus – 500g	Name	Distance (m)
1 st	Seth H	14.21	2 nd	Imogen G	11.45
3 rd	Oliver P	13.84			
Shotput – 2kg			Shotput – 2kg		
1 st	Taj S	6.11	1 st	Layla C	5.45
			2 nd	Imogen G	5.25
Long Jump			Long Jump		
2 nd	Archie G	3.2			
3 rd	Eli S	3.12			

Triple Jump			Triple Jump		
1 st	Archie G	5.7			
3 rd	Eli S	5.1			
3 rd	Sam L	5.1			
Sprint 100m		Time (s)	Sprint 100m		Time (s)
2 nd	Archie G	16.67	3 rd	Isla S	18.06
200m			200m		
2 nd	Archie G	37.02	3 rd	Laila H	38.4
Hurdles 80m			Hurdles 80m		
2 nd	Archie G	17.17	2 nd	Imogen G	19.83
3 rd	Taj S	19.00	3 rd	Layla C	19.87

11 YEAR OLDS

Discus – 750g	Name	Distance (m)	Discus – 750g	Name	Distance (m)
1 st	Fergus F	17.83	2 nd	Varli H	11.92
3 rd	Xander M	14.18			
Shotput – 2kg			Shotput – 2kg		
			3 rd	Poppy S	5.35
Long Jump			Long Jump		
1 st	Fergus F	3.17	1 st	Varli H	3.4
2 nd	Isaac N	3.07			
Triple Jump			Triple Jump		
			2 nd	Varli H	7.05
Sprint 100m		Time (s)	Sprint 100m		Time (s)
1 st	Isaac N	15.97	2 nd	Varli H	16.35
3 rd	Zaiden B	16.5			
200m			200m		
1 st	Zaiden B	33.2	2 nd	Varli H	35.75
2 nd	Isaac N	34.29	3 rd	Laura W	37.82
Hurdles 80m			Hurdles 80m		
1 st	Zaiden B	17.24	2 nd	Varli H	17.14

12/13 YEAR OLDS

Discus – 750g	Name	Distance (m)	Discus – 750g	Name	Distance (m)
1 st	Jack L	18.66	2 nd	Airlie F	12.76
2 nd	Jax S	14.34			
Shotput – 3kg			Shotput – 3kg		
1 st	Jack L	6.08	3 rd	Skyla W	5.94
Long Jump			Long Jump		
2 nd	Jax S	3.49	1 st	Airlie F	3.33
3 rd	Rheef S	3.39			
Triple Jump			Triple Jump		
2 nd	Jack L	6.85	2 nd	Skyla W	6.14
Sprint 100m		Time (s)	Sprint 100m		Time (s)
1 st	Aiden B	15.32	1 st	Airlie F	15.88
2 nd	Rheef S	15.89	3 rd	Olivia S	35.95
3 rd	Jax S	16.65			
200m			200m		
1 st	Aiden B	32.57	1 st	Airlie F	33.43
2 nd	Rheef S	33.48	3 rd	Olivia S	35.95

3 rd	Jax S	34.19			
Hurdles 80m			Hurdles 80m		
1 st	Rheef S	18.58	1 st	Airlie F	16.03 NEW RECORD
3 rd	Jack L	18.69			

800-metre

12 boys		
2 nd	Jax S	3:03.07
3 rd	Jack L	3:17.69
12 girls		
2 nd	Abigail P	5:34.08
3 rd	Heidi C	5:34.34
11 boys		
1 st	Zaiden B	3:09.96
2 nd	Isaac N	3:18.52
11 girls		
1 st	Charlee G	3:19.63 NEW RECORD
2 nd	Varli H	3:24.41
10 boys		
3 rd	Oliver P	3:34.75
10 girls		
1 st	Isla S	3:55.55
9 boys		
1 st	Iszak D	3:26.66
2 nd	Spencer W	3:26.97
3 rd	Oscar N	3:39.32
9 girls		
1 st	Bella J	4:13.05
2 nd	Ruby G	4:22.25
3 rd	Gracie O	4:27.16

A huge congratulations to all of our students who attended and represented our school at the LCDSSA Athletics Carnival. We are incredibly proud of the way you conducted yourselves throughout the day and, most importantly, the effort, determination and positive attitude you showed in every event.

Whether you came home with a medal, achieved a personal best, competed for the first time or simply gave every event your best effort, you should all be extremely proud of your achievements!

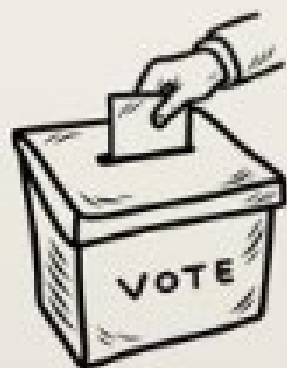
Thank you for representing our school with such enthusiasm and sportsmanship. You did an amazing job!

If you have any questions regarding the results or upcoming Divisional Athletics, please see Miss Gallagher.

MARONG COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP, LOCKWOOD BY ELECTION MEET THE CANDIDATES!

**Be an Informed Voter - Shape the Future of Marong
and surround districts !**

Meet the candidates in the upcoming Lockwood
Ward by-election in a hosted forum followed by a
question and answer session.



Monday 7th September

7pm to 8:45 PM

Marong Primary School

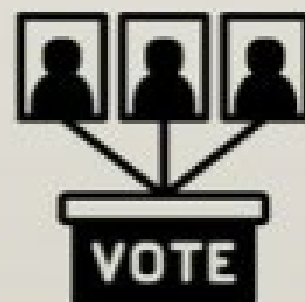
PAC Building

Corner of Leslie Street and Calder

Alternate Highway, Marong



**Marong
Community
Action Group**



All welcome!

**Come along and hear how the candidates propose to
support the community in which you live so you can make
an informed decision.**

**ALL GIRLS
GROUPS
AVAILABLE**



PLAY

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS SORTED

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BENDIGO AFL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

**TUESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER | 9AM-3PM
BACKHAUS OVAL, BENDIGO
BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 4-12
\$55 PER PERSON - FOOTY TO KEEP!**



SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUBS PROGRAM

BREAKFAST CLUB



ALL STUDENTS WELCOME

DAYS: Wednesdays

TIME: 8:20am- 8:45am

ROOM: Large Decking

EAT. LEARN. SUCCEED.



Department
of Education





MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER	TUESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER (EX) 	WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER	THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER	FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER
Dragon & Fairy Trainers	Movie Fun Day	Survivor Australia	Glow Art Studio	Public Holiday
				
Step into a magical world of Dragons and Fairies, where imagination and adventure come to life! Children will create mystical crafts, take part in magical quests and exciting challenges as they train to become the ultimate Dragon and Fairy Trainers.	Come and watch the holiday movie 'Forgotten Island' movie with popcorn in one hand, a drink in the other, and a small bag of treats on the side. The rest of the day will be filled with activities and games that the Educators have planned. Arrive at the program by ~ 9.00am Back at the program by ~ 2.30pm *The arrival time may vary pending movie commencement time.	Complete physical, strategic, and teamwork challenges to become the ultimate Survivor champion. Challenges will even be with Lego, cooking challenge in the kitchen and even on canvas.	Discover the fascinating world of colour, light, and fluorescence through exciting art, science, and sensory activities. Experiment with neon paints, glowing creations, UV science, and collaborative artwork before finishing the day with a Glow Party Disco.	

www.afterthebell.com.au

Bookings to be placed through your KidSoft account

Marong September Vacation Care Program 2026

MONDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER	TUESDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER (EX) 	WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 	THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER	FRIDAY 2ND OCTOBER
Minecraft Builders	Kyabram Fauna Park Fun	Kids Café	Dance Academy	Crime Scene Investigation (CSI)
				
Bring Minecraft to life through construction challenges, pixel art, engineering, and survival games. Let the building commence!	Kyabram Fauna Park is a wonderful place to see and interact with wildlife in a beautiful, bush setting. Come and be part of this excursion experience today and enjoy the wildlife experience. Arrive at the program by ~ 8.30am Back at the program by ~ 3.00pm *Small backpack to bring with food & water bottle	Create café-style treats, design menus, serve customers, and become junior baristas and chefs. On this café day enjoy making, preparing and best of all eating lunch.	Showcase your best moves at our Dance Academy, with a fun-filled day of music, dance games and creative movement! Children will take part in different music dance games, try different cultural dances, listen to decade hits and so much more. So come and showcase your moves.	Become a detective for the day and step into the exciting world of CSI! Children will work together to uncover clues, examine evidence, crack codes and solve a mystery using their best investigative and problem-solving skills. Get ready to put your detective skills to the test and solve the case!

What To Pack & Bring

- Healthy morning tea & lunch
- Refillable water bottle
- SunSmart hat
- No foods containing nuts
- No food- lollies, soft drinks, high-sugar foods
- No foods that require refrigeration
- No foods that require heating or re-heating
- Closed toes shoes
- Appropriate weather clothing

Costs & Booking Information

Daily cost ranges per day/ child-

In-house- \$87 -- \$90
Incurtion- \$90 -- \$100
Excursion- \$100 -- \$120

* Prices are reduced with eligible Child Care Subsidy

Excursion=  Incurtion=  Lunch=  Provided

Note: Days will operate where 15 or more bookings.
The account holder will be notified via email by the 9th September 2026 on the operational status of days.

*Bookings to be made via Kidsoft

Program Information

Address:
2 Leslie Street, Marong

Room Location:
Beehive Building

Program Number:
0428 247 072

Program Hours:
7.30am till 5.30pm

Head Office Contact
1300 977 599



**children's health
& wellbeing local**

Free support for children and their families



School Holiday Activities Term 3 2026

The Loddon Children's Health and Wellbeing Local is offering one-hour sessions on topics for building skills in relationships and wellbeing during the September school holidays. Sessions are free and open to children 4-11 years of age.

The sessions are fun, educational and a safe space to explore the topics listed below. You will gain skills to apply at home to help build confidence with these topics.

Groups are small: five children with one parent per child attending.

Date	Time	Topic
Monday 21 st September	1030am – 1130am (4-6 year old)	MAGNIFICENT ME - Learn to celebrate your unique qualities and build your self-esteem.
Wednesday 30 th September	1030am – 1130am (4-6 years old) 130pm – 2.30pm (7-11 years old)	MANAGING FEELINGS – Learning about what happens in your body when you have big feelings, what you can do to help yourself cope.
Friday 2 nd September	1030am – 1130am (4-6 years old) 130pm – 2.30pm (7-11 years old)	BUILDING SOCIAL SKILLS – Learn about friendships, what is helpful when boundaries might be needed

Bookings are essential:

Please call our team on 1800 433 977 or email us which sessions you want to attend, your child's name and age, your name and contact details including telephone number and email address.

lcchwlocal@bchs.com.au

The Children's Health and Wellbeing Local is jointly funded by the Victorian Government and the Australian Government through the Medicare Mental Health Kids Hub Initiative.



PARENT SUPPORT AND EDUCATION SESSIONS TERM 4, 2026

The Loddon Children's Health & Wellbeing Local offers free weekly education sessions that address mental health and wellbeing. The sessions are run by a mental health or allied health clinician at the Local.

Sessions are open to any parents or carers of children aged 0-11.

Why join in?

- Talk to Local staff about your child.
- Ask any practical questions you have about parenting now.
- Gain support for yourself as a parent.

Where: The Loddon Child and Health Wellbeing Local, 19 Helm St KANGAROO FLAT 3555. Enter via the green porch at the back of the site.

Dates and topics: Wednesdays (Face to face) please call us if you want to attend online to see if we can accommodate that.

WHEN	TIME	TOPIC
Oct 7th	9.30am	ADHD What is it and How Can I Help?
Oct 14	9.30am	What Is Autism and How Can I Help?
Oct 21	9.30am	Parent Wellbeing
Oct 28		Bendigo Cup Closed
Nov 4th	9.30am	Managing Big Feelings
Nov 11	9.30am	Navigating transitions
Nov 18	9.30am	Anxiety in Kids
Nov 25	9.30am	Social skills and self esteem
Dec 2	9.30am	Sibling Rivalry
Dec 9th	9.30am	Family rules and consequences



Book in via email icfhwlocals@bchs.com.au. Please state your name, your child's name and the session(s) you wish to attend.

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Running for over a decade, the program now delivers 1,500kg of free fruit to Bendigo school children every week.

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Your introduction into Australian football centred around game-based activities kids love.



7-12 YEAR OLDS

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*Kids can join NAB AFL Auskick if they are turning 5 in the calendar year (before 30th June in MA).

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STARTING AUGUST 25TH

TUESDAYS 4:15PM - 5:15PM

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SUPERKICK



Register to go in the draw to win a Richmond AFLW Guernsey!

**GAMES
FROM
4PM**



AGE GROUPS

- 5 & UNDER
- 7 & UNDER
- 9 & UNDER
- 11 & UNDER

TERM 4 2026 + TERM 1 2027

JUNIOR FUTSAL

MONDAY
Competition

5 a-side

WEDNESDAY
Beginner league

SCAN QR CODE BELOW TO REGISTER

1-3 Waterson Court, Golden Square VIC 3555

PHONE: 0428 471 077

EMAIL: admin@bendigomajorleague.com.au



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No experience necessary



CARDIO + KIDS

9.30-10.30AM WEDNESDAY
@ MAIDEN GULLY TENNIS CLUB

A feel-good fitness session for adults -
With Tennis, tunes and laughs.
While the kids enjoy tennis activities too.

4 FUN FREE WEEKS! Try ONE or
Come to ALL

**WEEKLY
PRIZES!**

**29
JULY**

BRING A FRIEND

Bring a friend - enjoy a
workout and laugh together!

**12
AUG**

WINTER WARMER

Warm up with a great work out
and enjoy coffee & treats after!

**5
AUG**

COLOUR CLASH

Wear your brightest colours!
Light up the courts & your day!

**19
AUG**

CARDIO PARTY

Let's finish with a bang!
Music, games, prizes & morning tea.

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Looking towards 2027 Term 1



PROPS THEATRE

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Stage Three for 13-16 years

LOCATION

82A Mitchell Street Studio
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2023 Enrolments OPEN

SCAN ME



Looking towards 2027 Term 1



PROPS THEATRE

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Stage One for 5 - 8 years
Stage Two for 9 - 12 years

LOCATION

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SCAN ME





KIDS LOVE BEING OUTDOORS? THERE'S GOLF FOR THAT.

BELVOIR PARK GOLF CLUB

MyGolf powered by Ripper GC is Australia's beginner golf program that introduces kids to golf through games-based activities in a safe and friendly environment. Participants learn new skills, make new friends and most importantly, have fun!

Sessions are run by PGA Professionals and National Program Deliverers Australia-wide.

**Time: Thursdays 4pm-4:45pm (5-9 year olds)
5:00 pm-5:45pm (10-14 year olds)**

**Dates: 30 July to 10 September 2026
(7 sessions)**

Cost: \$60

Registration: <https://tinyurl.com/36tzzcvj>

**Enquires: Dave Griffin - 0407422845
email juniors@belvoirparkgc.com.au**

RIPPER:
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JUNIOR BADMINTON

WHERE: 140 VICTORIA STREET, EAGLEHAWK

AGES: 7-18

FIRST 3 NIGHTS ARE FREE

SESSION TIMES

WEDNESDAYS

7-10 YEARS OLD :
6:05PM TO 7:00PM

11-14 YEARS OLD :
7:05PM TO 8:00PM

15-18 YEARS OLD :
8:05PM TO 9:00PM

FRIDAYS

JUNIOR COMPETITION
6:45-8:30PM

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6-14
YEARS

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FOR YOUNG NETBALLERS
AGED 6-14

WHAT'S INCLUDED

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-  Skills, games & challenges
-  Build confidence & have fun
-  Photos, signatures & giveaways
-  Fresh fruit supplied by the McKern Steel Foundation



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BENDIGO



WEDNESDAY
30TH SEPTEMBER



1:00PM -
4:00PM



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STRIKERS

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\$50

PER PARTICIPANT

CONFUSED ABOUT THE NDIS CHANGES?

*You don't
have to navigate
it alone.*


- ? SHOULD WE STILL APPLY NOW?
- ? WHAT EVIDENCE DO WE NEED?
- ? WHAT DOES FUNCTIONAL CAPACITY MEAN?
- ? WHAT CHANGES IN 2028?
- ? WHAT SHOULD WE BE DOING NOW?

A practical information evening for **NDIS** participants, parents, carers
and neurodivergent families. 

WHAT YOU'LL LEAVE UNDERSTANDING:



What's changing

What is happening now,
what comes next and
what begins in 2028.



What evidence helps

What the NDIA looks for,
why functional impact
matters and the evidence
that supports it.



What to do next

Practical steps,
questions to ask
and information to
start gathering.

*“ You don't need ALL
the answers.
Just the next question. ”*

TICKETS

\$10

Ticket proceeds
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Amegilla ND
Community Hub



FRIDAY
11 SEPTEMBER 2026



6:00PM
Doors open 5:45pm



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Practical guidance to
help you feel informed,
supported & confident



KELLY SPORTS

BENDIGO JUNIOR SUMMER FUTSAL

2026/2027 COMPETITION

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Prepare to ignite your passion for Futsal in the Bendigo Summer Futsal Competition.

Mercy Junortoun Sporting Precinct will come alive with fast-paced, action-packed matches, showcasing the talents of our athletes on the court!

Come along, soak up the atmosphere, and cheer on your champions from the stands!

• **WEEKLY
MATCHES**

• **REGISTER
INDIVIDUALLY**

• **REGISTER
AS A TEAM**

SUMMER SEASON DETAILS

DAY: Wednesday/Thursday (Juniors) **TIME:** 4pm - onwards

PLAYER REGISTRATION: \$315

DATES: October 7th - Dec 15th & Feb 3rd - Mar 12th (Wednesday)
October 8th - Dec 16th & Feb 4th - Mar 11th (Thursdays)

AGE GROUPS: 6/8/10/12/14/16

VENUES: 1 St Vincents Rd, Junortoun (Mercy Junortoun Sporting Precinct)

INDIVIDUALS REGISTER BY: 4TH SEPTEMBER

TEAMS REGISTER BY: 11TH SEPTEMBER

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